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SUBJECT: US-JAPAN CIVAIR NEGOTIATIONS

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FROM STYLES, US CIVAIR DELEGATION

1. DRAFT IN REFTEL IS SATISFACTORY TO STYLES AND BILLER,
EXCEPT FOR TREATMENT OF CAPACITY IN ATTACHED PAPER.
CAPACITY SECTION SHOULD BE REDRAFTED AS FOLLOWS:
"CAPACITY. US AIRLINES MUST NOW SUBMIT THEIR SCHEDULES
TO USG FOR REVIEW. IF FOUND TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE
CAPACITY PRINCIPLES IN THE AGREEMENT, THE SCHEDULES ARE
TRANSMITTED TO GOJ WHICH MUST APPROVE THEM. THE JAPANESE
BELIEVE THAT THESE PROCEDURES HAVE NOT AVOIDED EXCESS
CAPACITY, ALTHOUGH THEIR REAL OBJECTIVE MAY BE TO ACHIEVE
EQUAL MARKET SHARES. IN ORDER TO MEET JAPANESE CONCERNS
OVER EXCESS CAPACITY, WE ARE WILLING TO EXPAND THIS
ARRANGEMENT TO PROVIDE FOR PRIOR CONSULTATIONS, ALTHOUGH
THE PROPOSED SCHEDULES COULD STILL BE OPERATED IF THERE
IS NO AGREEMENT. IN ADDITION, AFTER A PERIOD OF OPERA-
TION, THE OBJECTING GOVERNMENT MAY AGAIN REQUEST CONSULTA-
TIONS AND, IF THERE IS THEN NO AGREEMENT, A LIMITATION ON
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FURTHER CAPACITY INCREASES WOULD COME INTO EFFECT FOR A
TEMPORARY PERIOD. WE WOULD INSIST THAT SUCH AN ARRANGE-
MENT BE RECIPROCAL, WHICH IT IS NOT NOW. THIS NEW
ARRANGEMENT WOULD RETAIN LEEWAY FOR INDIVIDUAL AIRLINE
INITIATIVE AND THUS AVOID ARBITRARY SHARING OF THE MARKET.
IT WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH, ALTHOUGH MORE LIBERAL THAN,
PROPOSALS WE HAVE MADE TO THE UK."

2. ALTHOUGH NOT ESSENTIAL, WE WOULD BE PREPARED FOR PAPER
TO SAY, IF OTHER AGENCIES INSIST, THAT JAPAN SHOULD GIVE
UP ITS RIGHTS BEYOND NEW YORK AS PRICE FOR RIGHTS BEYOND
TO SOUTH AMERICA.

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